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## Office Action Summary

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### Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 19 August 2004.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-31 and 39-44 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-31 and 39-44 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 11 December 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- \* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

### Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)  
Paper No(s)/Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)  
Paper No(s)/Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_.

## DETAILED ACTION

### *Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102*

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(a) the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

Claims 1-31, and 39-44 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Millington (U.S. 6397145B1).

Claim 1:

With respect to claim 1, the U.S Patent No. '145B1 to Millington has been cited as teaching a typical navigation system and method for guiding driver from one position to a destination via the maneuver instruction, in which a position of the vehicle is determined by the GPS receiver (Millington, Figure 1, GPS receiver 38; column 3, lines 47-65), a route segment on which the vehicle is located as a function of the position of the vehicle (Millington, Figure 2, vehicle 52, recommended route 61), said route segment is identified using the graphic user interface as shown in figure 2 of Millington. As illustrated in column 4, lines 2-25, Millington teaches that one user can uses the input device (28) for entering a

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specific destination relative to the database (36) of roads, and the navigation system (20) then displays a recommended route as well as turn-by-turn instructions to the user.

With regard to claim 2, Millington teaches that the user is provided a turn-by-turn instructions and the display of a different one of the route segments (Millington, column 4, lines 12-65).

With regard to claim 3, the graphic display as represented by Millington comprises a display area having a top edge and the vehicle icon (52) (Millington, figure 2, display 24, vehicle icon 52) rendered within the display (24).

With regard to claim 4, the graphic display as disclosed by Millington shows that the vehicle icon (52) is at center of the display area (the graphic display as represented by Millington).

With regard to claim 5, Millington teaches the following: "the map display view 50 can also display a movable vehicle icon 52 relative to a constant heading display 24 (such as North up), based upon user preference" (Millington, column 4, lines 12-25).

With regard to claim 6, Millington discloses that the user can uses the input device (28) for entering a specific destination relative to the database (36) of roads, and the navigation system (20) then displays a recommended route as well as turn-by-turn instructions to the user.

With regard to claim 7, Millington discloses that the user can uses the input device (28) for entering a specific destination relative to the database (36) of roads.

Claim 8:

With respect to claim 8, the U.S Patent No. '145B1 to Millington has been cited as teaching a typical navigation system and method for guiding driver from one position to a destination via the maneuver instruction, in which a position of the vehicle is determined by the GPS receiver (Millington, Figure 1, GPS receiver 38; column 3, lines 47-65), a route segment on which the vehicle is located as a function of the position of the vehicle (Millington, Figure 2, vehicle 52, recommended route 61), said route segment is identified using the graphic user interface as shown in figure 2 of Millington. As illustrated in column 4, lines 2-25, Millington teaches that one user can uses the input device (28) for entering a specific destination relative to the database (36) of roads, and the navigation system (20) then displays a recommended route as well as turn-by-turn instructions to the user.

With regard to claim 9, Millington teaches that the user is provided a turn-by-turn instructions and the display of a different one of the route segments (Millington, column 4, lines 12-65).

With regard to claim 10, the graphic display as represented by Millington comprises a display area having a top edge and the vehicle icon (52) (Millington, figure 2, display 24, vehicle icon 52) rendered within the display (24).

With regard to claim 11, the graphic display as disclosed by Millington shows that the vehicle icon (52) is at center of the display area (the graphic display as represented by Millington).

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With regard to claim 12, Millington teaches the following: "the map display view 50 can also display a movable vehicle icon 52 relative to a constant heading display 24 (such as North up), based upon user preference" (Millington, column 4, lines 12-25).

With regard to claim 13, Millington discloses that the user can use the input device (28) for entering a specific destination relative to the database (36) of roads.

Claim 14:

With respect to claim 14, the U.S. Patent No. '145B1 to Millington has been cited as teaching a typical navigation system and method for guiding driver from one position to a destination via the maneuver instruction, in which a position of the vehicle is determined by the GPS receiver (Millington, Figure 1, GPS receiver 38; column 3, lines 47-65), a route segment on which the vehicle is located as a function of the position of the vehicle (Millington, Figure 2, vehicle 52, recommended route 61), said route segment is identified using the graphic user interface as shown in figure 2 of Millington. As illustrated in column 4, lines 2-25, Millington teaches that one user can use the input device (28) for entering a specific destination relative to the database (36) of roads, and the navigation system (20) then displays a recommended route as well as turn-by-turn instructions to the user. Millington further a data storage device (34), which is shown in figure 1, contains a database (36) including a map of all the roads in the area to be traveled by the vehicle (Millington, column 3, lines 33-46). The GPS receiver and the storage device as discussed above coupled to a processor (32).

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With regard to claim 15, Millington teaches that the user is provided a turn-by-turn instructions and the display of a different one of the route segments (Millington, column 4, lines 12-65).

With regard to claim 16, the graphic display as represented by Millington comprises a display area having a top edge and the vehicle icon (52) (Millington, figure 2, display 24, vehicle icon 52) rendered within the display (24).

With regard to claim 17, the graphic display as disclosed by Millington shows that the vehicle icon (52) is at center of the display area (the graphic display as represented by Millington).

With regard to claim 18, Millington teaches the following: "the map display view 50 can also display a movable vehicle icon 52 relative to a constant heading display 24 (such as North up), based upon user preference" (Millington, column 4, lines 12-25).

With regard to claim 19, Millington discloses that the user can uses the input device (28) for entering a specific destination relative to the database (36) of roads, and the navigation system (20) then displays a recommended route as well as turn-by-turn instructions to the user.

With regard to claim 20, Millington discloses that the user can uses the input device (28) for entering a specific destination relative to the database (36) of roads.

Claim 21:

With respect to claim 21, the U.S Patent No. '145B1 to Millington has been cited as teaching a typical navigation system and method for guiding driver from

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one position to a destination via the maneuver instruction, in which a position of the vehicle is determined by the GPS receiver (Millington, Figure 1, GPS receiver 38; column 3, lines 47-65), a route segment on which the vehicle is located as a function of the position of the vehicle (Millington, Figure 2, vehicle 52, recommended route 61), said route segment is identified using the graphic user interface as shown in figure 2 of Millington. As illustrated in column 4, lines 2-25, Millington teaches that one user can use the input device (28) for entering a specific destination relative to the database (36) of roads, and the navigation system (20) then displays a recommended route as well as turn-by-turn instructions to the user. Millington further a data storage device (34), which is shown in figure 1, contains a database (36) including a map of all the roads in the area to be traveled by the vehicle (Millington, column 3, lines 33-46). The GPS receiver and the storage device as discussed above coupled to a processor (32).

With regard to claim 22, Millington teaches that the user is provided a turn-by-turn instructions and the display of a different one of the route segments (Millington, column 4, lines 12-65).

With regard to claim 23, the graphic display as represented by Millington comprises a display area having a top edge and the vehicle icon (52) (Millington, figure 2, display 24, vehicle icon 52) rendered within the display (24).

With regard to claim 24, the graphic display as disclosed by Millington shows that the vehicle icon (52) is at center of the display area (the graphic display as represented by Millington).



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With regard to claim 25, Millington teaches the following: "the map display view 50 can also display a movable vehicle icon 52 relative to a constant heading display 24 (such as North up), based upon user preference" (Millington, column 4, lines 12-25).

With regard to claim 26, Millington discloses that the user can use the input device (28) for entering a specific destination relative to the database (36) of roads.

Claims 27 and 40:

With respect to claims 27, and 40, Millington basically discloses a navigation system and method comprising a computer module (30) that includes CPU (32) that is connected to the storage device (34), GPS receiver (38).

The U.S Patent No. '145B1 to Millington has been provided for guiding driver from one position to a destination via the maneuver instruction, in which a position of the vehicle is determined by the GPS receiver (Millington, Figure 1, GPS receiver 38; column 3, lines 47-65), a route segment on which the vehicle is located as a function of the position of the vehicle (Millington, Figure 2, vehicle 52, recommended route 61), said route segment is identified using the graphic user interface as shown in figure 2 of Millington. As illustrated in column 4, lines 2-25, Millington teaches that one user can use the input device (28) for entering a specific destination relative to the database (36) of roads, and the navigation system (20) then displays a recommended route as well as turn-by-turn instructions to the user.

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With regard to claims 28 and 41, Millington teaches that the user is provided a turn-by-turn instructions and the display of a different one of the route segments (Millington, column 4, lines 12-65).

With regard to claims 29 and 42, the graphic display as represented by Millington comprises a display area having a top edge and the vehicle icon (52) (Millington, figure 2, display 24, vehicle icon 52) rendered within the display (24).

With regard to claims 30 and 43, the graphic display as disclosed by Millington shows that the vehicle icon (52) is at center of the display area (the graphic display as represented by Millington).

With regard to claims 31 and 44, Millington teaches the following: "the map display view 50 can also display a movable vehicle icon 52 relative to a constant heading display 24 (such as North up), based upon user preference" (Millington, column 4, lines 12-25).

With regard to claim 39, Millington discloses that the user can uses the input device (28) for entering a specific destination relative to the database (36) of roads, and the navigation system (20) then displays a recommended route as well as turn-by-turn instructions to the user.

### ***Response to Amendment***

Applicant's arguments filed on 08/19/2004 have been fully considered but they are not deemed to be persuasive because the cited prior art still read on the limitations as claimed by the applicant. Thus, the previous office action mailed on 06/22/2004 remains unchanged.

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The applicant argued the following: "Millington does not disclose any use of the input device 28 other than for selecting a destination. In particular, Millington does not disclose receiving a user input via an input device and using the GUI to render a previous route segment or a subsequent route segment in response to the user input as recited in claim 1". After carefully performed further consideration, the examiner has recognized that the reference to Millington includes a plurality of input devices such as directional keypad, a mouse, keyboard, keypad, remote device, and microphone. Also, the display (24) shown in figure 1 can be a touch screen display (Millington, column 3, lines 23-32). Therefore, the input devices disclosed in Millington do not limit the user in only entering a destination. Millington teaches that the display device (24) displays a previous route segment or a subsequent route segment in response to the user input (Millington, figure 2, figure 4; column 4, lines 26-65).

For the reason discussed above, the application would not be patentable over Millington.

### ***Conclusions***

**THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory

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period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tuan C To whose telephone number is (703) 308-6273. The examiner can normally be reached on from 8:00AM to 5:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thomas Black can be reached on (703) 305-8233.

The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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